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SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

A wise man once—stupidous brain—
Rode on a city freight train.
And got off whole—not even lame,
But this is how he did the same:
He kept his eyes wide open propped,
And waited till the car had stopped,
Stepped from the side that had no pole—
And that is how he got off whole.

—By the STATE JOURNAL Poet.

The Sixth street viaduct is being repaired.

The city fire alarm boxes have been repainted red.

A bicycle was stolen from in front of Stevenson & Co.'s store yesterday.

Miss Jessie Lewelling, who is at home, will return from Wichita next week.

Dan Jones eyes are better today. He has got most of the red pepper out of them.

Leon De Bost has resigned as United States deputy marshal under Marshal Neely.

Judges can't ride on passes on Fred Close's railroad. They can't find the railroad.

The M. K. & T. is the only railroad in Kansas on which judges do not ride on passes.

Nobody objects to the Free Thinkers free-thinking so long as they don't think out loud.

Last night's rain storm got more people out of bed in a hurry than a general fire alarm.

There are ten or fifteen ex-preachers in session with the Free Thinkers here this week.

Miss Emma Burgess, secretary of the Y. W. C. A., has returned from her summer vacation.

The Y. M. C. A. board of directors will select a new physical director at their next meeting.

The "Hop tas" sold in Topeka is good enough beer for me," said an old rounder this morning.

A Topeka lawyer who makes money says no lawyer can make money who dabbles in politics.

The colored men who do the jubilee singing in the "Uncle Tom's Cabin" performance live in Topeka.

The officers of the United States district court go to Wichita tomorrow. Court opens there on Monday.

The Topeka Odd Fellows are talking of uniting for the purpose of holding impressive funeral services.

A. H. Vance and J. G. Slonecker will address the Republican banquet club at the court house tonight.

Fred Close is expected home from Galveston tomorrow where he has been looking after his railroad.

A street preacher entertained a crowd on Kansas avenue near the entrance to Crawford's theater last night.

Various portions of Bethany college grounds have been the scene of prairie fires during the past week.

John E. Frost, land commissioner of the Santa Fe, returned today from the irrigation congress at Denver.

"Success in Life" was the subject of the address delivered at the state university yesterday by Eugene F. Ware.

Headquarters of the southwestern division of the Salvation Army have been removed from Topeka to Kansas City.

A little boy who knows more about the pastry than Roman history says he is

COL. VEALE'S REASONS.

Why He Should Be Made Representative From Topeka.

GIVEN AT LAST NIGHT'S MEETING.

Col. Veale Says He Has Built Over 100 Houses in Topeka—Sure He Can Get the Statehouse Appropriation.

Col. George W. Veale, Republican candidate for representative, made a speech to the voters of the east side of his district at the end of the Sixth street viaduct last evening. There were two or three hundred people present, including a number of ladies. Bailey's band played several pieces. Col. Veale said:

"I am glad to be with you because I love Kansas and the Republican party. Thirty-eight years ago I came to Kansas. I worked on a farm from the time I was 11 years old until I was 17. I have worked all day in the harvest field for 50 cents a day, and I think I have a right to speak to you as a working man.

"I want to say a few words about the railroads. Would this city be here or would any of our western cities be in existence if it had not been for the railroads? Who made it possible for you engineers to get your \$4 a day? It was the general government which granted lands so that it was possible for the railroads to be built.

"I never worked harder in my life than I did in the Kansas constitutional convention to secure the clause which exempts property of the poor man from execution for debt. I worked continually until it was secured, after one of the hardest fights during the convention.

"The question now is who can best represent you, myself or Mr. Sloat. I have been a member of the legislature for several terms. My first success was to enlarge Shawnee county. That is the biggest steal I ever made. I absolutely stole from Jackson county over \$1,000,000 worth of property. I got the appropriation for the state house, for the insane asylum and for the reform school. In order to secure the reform school appropriation I offered the state any 100 acres of land within two miles of the city the board of charities might select. Mr. Sloat says he can do better for the people because he will be in sympathy with the party in power. I don't believe he will. Even if the house is Populist, I will get into their good graces—they can't keep me out.

"I can represent you better than Mr. Sloat can. He has no property interests here, and so far as I know, pays no tax. I have built over 100 houses in this city, and no one can say that I owe a cent for labor. I do not blame the Republicans because I am in debt; because I borrowed more money than I should. It was not a wise thing for me to build that big block on Quincy street, but it helped labor, and if some eastern fellow takes it away from me, I won't kick.

"He then discussed the expensive police force. He said that the cost of the force is greater than ever before. "The fines were only \$108 for August," said he. "The fact is that they don't fine men at all—they just turn them out on the promise that they will vote the Populist ticket. That is the kind of a party Mr. Sloat belongs to. As far as I am concerned I believe in whipping out this whole metropolitan police system. I am a friend of the laboring man and secured the law for the weekly payment of wages to apply to all concerns but the railroads. The railroad companies are too big to be able to pay weekly and the law requires them to pay every thirty days.

"If I am elected I will have the boards knocked out of those windows in the state house and have 150 men at work to finish up the building. I know what I am able to do." The speaker was frequently interrupted with applause.

Mr. S. B. Bradford also spoke at the meeting.

SAYS HE DIDN'T SAY IT.

David Overmyer Denies the Statement About the Colored Man.

TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 8, 1894.

To the Editor of the STATE JOURNAL:

In your issue of the 7th, yesterday, appears what purports to be a portion of my speech delivered at Warrensburg, Mo., on the 6th inst. You published this under these words, "Shut out the blacks." And you published a sub-head under in which you say, "Overmyer says the voice of colored men should be suppressed." The telegram published by you says I created a sensation by saying, "Outside of the negro, whose ignorant voice should not be heard, this government so far as legislation and voting is concerned, the Democratic party numbers all other parties," etc. Now, the fact is I created no sensation and said no such thing.

The entire telegraphic statement published in your paper is a gross perversion of what I said. And the above passage in reference to the negro is an absolute, unmitigated lie. I made no such statement concerning the colored people, and did not even use the word "negro" at all. I do not censure you for publishing this as it appeared in other papers also, and you of course published the telegram as you received it, but I feel nevertheless totally false. Yours truly,

DAVID OVERMYER.

Political Notes.

Charlie Curtis is at Marion today.

D. C. Tillman made a political speech at Scranton today.

Colonel J. R. Hollowell, the "Prince Hall" of two years ago, says Sedgewick county will give 1,000 majority against Lewelling.

Chairman Harvey, of the Populist congressional committee of this district, says some of the friends of S. M. Scott want him to arrange for a joint discussion between Scott and Charlie Curtis.

Senator Peffer and Dick Blue are advertised to speak at Medicine Lodge at the same hour September 22d. Both speakers were billed without the knowledge of the other committee, and an effort will now be made to provide for a joint discussion.

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MONDAY MORNING, SEPT. 10.

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In Our North Window

We will show a few of the
25-CENT PATTERNS

—OF—
BODY BRUSSELS

that we offer this week for

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a yard.

You can tell at a glance that the same quality is sold everywhere for \$1.25 a yd.

No restriction as to quantity, but those that have Borders must be sold with Borders.

We have some very choice patterns with Borders.

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You will see displayed an assortment of

LACE CURTAINS

At prices (a few of which we quote) that are surprisingly low:

A 3-yard Nottingham Curtain for 85c a pair.

A 3'-yard Nottingham Curtain, 57 inches wide, \$1.75 a pair.

A Genuine Irish Point Lace Curtain \$3.15 a pair.

A fine Brussels Knit Curtain, 3½ yards long, \$5.80 a pair.

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TALK AS THEY PLEASE

The Free Thinkers Convention Increased in Numbers.

SOME BOLD DOCTRINES ADVANCED.

Gen. H. H. Artz Aims His Infidelity—Moses Harmon Makes a Pretty Speech on Death.

The Free Thinkers now have an increased attendance. The list of those from out of town in attendance is as follows: Mrs. Etta Semple, Ottawa; J. G. W. Stinson and L. W. Hutchinson, Admire; Henry Hatt, Twin Mounds; J. Haller, Burlington; A. Holcraft, Wamsutter; A. F. Prickett, Macon, Mo.; Samuel Myers, Osage City; Samuel Carter, Asherville; Alex. Rose, Lawrence; A. Holliday, Wamsutter; L. P. Tibbe, Morganville; James Stevens, Kansas City, Kas.; W. Mayberry and wife, Thomas Mitchell and wife, J. Jamison and wife and Henry Hoover, all of Burlington; J. Scott and L. Jones of Horton, and James Pontius of Washington.

One interesting thing on the programme was a paper entitled, "The Origin of Soul," by Damon Higby of Norwood, which was read by Mrs. Semple. Samuel Carter replied to it and it was discussed at length by Mr. Pontius and others. Mr. Holcraft put his foot on it again by declaring that the Free Thinkers had not a common enemy in the church. Mrs. Walsbrooker took exception to this in her peculiar and effective style of eloquence, proceeded to annihilate poor Mr. Holcraft. Mrs. Semple also joined in. Alex. Rose also spoke.

In the afternoon the meeting listened to an address by Mr. Pontius on "The Bible or Christian God and His Influence Upon Humanity and Civilization." His address was thoroughly appreciated by his hearers.

Geo. H. H. Artz was present and followed Mr. Pontius. He devoted a good deal of his attention to the big bible that lay on the speaker's table. Among many other things Mr. Artz said:

"I know no heaven and I fear no hell. I asked a noted divine, Robert Collyer, once how he got around the hell question. He said 'You make your own hell and largely your own heaven.' I believe that. The man who goes through the world looking down his nose and saying 'I am here only temporarily. I am going to a place where the streets are paved with gold,' is losing all the happiness there is in this life for the privilege of waiting for a life he knows nothing about. They say 'the heart tells me it is there.' The reason seated higher tells you more emphatically that it is not.

The preacher says it is there and that certain things are so 'because the Bible says so.' I ask, 'Why?' and he says, 'Now you are asking a question that neither you nor I have any right to investigate.' They forbid us a reason, which, of all things thinking man should most desire. 'Streets paved with gold,' the preacher says. Why don't you know that if gold and lead should suddenly change places as regards value, the preachers would immediately begin saying that the

streets of heaven are paved with the most precious metal, lead? You will have nothing to do in heaven, they say, but loaf up and down the golden streets and be happy. Could you be happy with an idle brain, which is said to be the devil's workshop, if there is a devil? Their idea of happiness seems to be idleness and luxury. Say to the heaven hoping Christian, 'In heaven each man becomes a vegetarian. He has one acre of rich soil which he is to work himself, and which will sustain him as well as need be.' That man will say, 'If that is true, I believe I prefer to take my chances here where I can have 100 acres if I want it.'

"The church and state have endeavored to get apart one day in each week in which they shall themselves worship their God and compel all the rest of us to. We try to get out of it and have the boasted American freedom to do as we please on that day and work if necessary. We argue with them and we defeat their arguments. As a last resort the preacher says, 'Ah, well, it's a good thing for you, anyway. You should not work all the time. Six days shalt thou labor and on the seventh rest'; and then the preacher goes right ahead and reverses his own teaching by resting six days out of the week and working one.

"The preacher stands in his pulpit in his church and tells you things your own reason tells you are not true, and you dare not ask him one question to satisfy your doubt. You would be arrested if you did. You left your liberty and your boasted civilization behind you when you entered the door.

"The church is always the last to accept any reform. The church sees nothing new. It stands in the way of all advancement."

The afternoon meeting adjourned soon after Mr. Artz had finished.

The evening meeting was held on the stand at the City park. About fifty were present.

Mrs. Semple read an extract from her forthcoming book "Society." It was quite lengthy, and its literary style was really fine. The extract was a severe criticism of the present funeral custom. It deplored the spirit that leads the bereaved and their friends to make so sad a burial ceremony. The house should not be darkened, friends should not weep, flowers should not be white, songs should not be sad; there should be the customary good cheer. Not revelry, but at least no mockery of sorrow. Why allow death to cast its shadow over life? The dead themselves would not wish it. All unnecessary expense should be avoided. Why so cater to the foolish demands of society to enrich the burial of the dead as to impoverish the living for months afterwards?

The reading called forth a good deal of commendatory comment. In his remarks on the subject Moses Harmon said:

"If any of you here should have the poor privilege of helping to put away to its last rest the body of him who stands before you, I hope you will see to it as my present request that there be no unnecessary expense. I want no flowers, no mocking ceremony. I want no tears. Sing glad songs. Throw open the windows and the doors and let the glad light and pure air of nature enshroud me. I want no silent watching on the night I die, no weary waiting of friends until the morning comes to relieve

them of the smileless watch. I am not a tyrant in life, why make me one in death? Let the flowers, if there be any, be of many colors.

"I want no casket. If it shook my friends too much to lay my withered clay in the bosom of mother earth without a covering, let the covering be of ample pine. But I prefer there be no box. Let me be buried in such a way that I can go easily back to nature and to vegetation. There is no way of cheating nature of my body for use again. Do not try it."

After a friendly discussion as to who should next have the floor, Rev. James H. Lathrop succeeded in getting it and delivered his speech on "The Labor Exchange and True Co-operation." It was a referendum, co-operative labor speech, in which the speaker declared that the time is coming when this constitution and this government will be obsolete and co-operative labor shall rule and legal tender money, the robber of the people, shall be no more. "Until then," said Mr. Lathrop, "we shall have no perfect government."

The meeting closed before 10 o'clock.

BOTH ARE ACQUITTED.

The Young Men Charged With Robbing Rock Island Freight Cars Discharged.

James Harrington and Charles Anderson, the two young men who were charged with robbing Rock Island freight cars last spring, were acquitted in the district court last yesterday afternoon. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

The evidence against the young men was wholly circumstantial but considered fairly strong for that class of evidence. They were identified as the men who were seen to carry the stolen "jumper" on their backs and throw them into the river when discovered. The defendants were tramps. Dom & Atchison defended them.

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